not to seak unnecessary adjournments and to expedite the trial in pending cases.

**Working of Burgers Memorial Girls' Hostel**

2396. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRr; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has recent ly received some detailed complaints about the alleged bungling in use of grants, fake admission and exploita. tion of the students etc. relating to a minority educational institution of Bilaspur (M.P.) viz. Burgers Memo rial Girls' Hostel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/contemplated ihereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Swatantra Sainik Samman Pension Scheme**

2397. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA-SWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned pension under Swatantra Satnik Samman Pension Scheme 1980 to those who produced two ccprisoner and later on with only one co-prisoiner certificate;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that applicants were refused on account of delay as late as 1993; and

(c) whether Government have now decided to consider the applications for sanctioning pensions who submitted ap-plications even in 1993 with one co-pri-soner certificate and even if they have not produced any record from Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) Under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 pension is granted to those who claimed imprisonment/detention during the freedom strugle, on production of the following document(s):—

Certaificate from 'the concerned Jail authority, Distri:t MagiStiate or the State Government indicating period of sentence awarded, date of admission, date of release and reasons for release. In the absence of such certificates from offilaial records, a Non-availability of Records Certificate (NARC) from the concemsd authorities alongwith Co-prisoners' Certificates (CPC) as under:—

(i) Two Co-prisoners' Certificates from the freedom fighter pensioners who had a proven jail suffering of one year.

(ii) One Co-prisoners' Certificate from a sitting MP or MLA or from an ex-MP or an ex-MLA specifying his jail period and that of the applicant.

(b) Consequent to the judgement dated 14-5-1993 or the Hon'ble S'lpreire Court in the case of Mukund Lai Bhan-dari, the Central Government has been accepting the annlications under the schems without raising the plea that they are beyond the prescribed date. The sanction of psnston would, however, be subject to the requisite proof in support of the claim.

(c) In the case of persons who pro duced jail certificates which meniion their conviction and admission to the jail but were transferred within a few days to jails now in Pakistan, pension coTild be sanctioned on obtaininE; an affidavit fitom the freedom fighter that:—

(i) he underwent the imprisonment mentioned in the conviction (Nime of Jail etc. and period to be sperited); and

(ii) he was convi:ted in connection with the Freedom Struggle.

**Comittiinication Network in he AIMS**

2398. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleassd to state:

(a) whether Government have received any application for establishment of a communication network through electronic means for rapid exchange of information submitted by the Regional Institute of Medical Science, Imphal;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken for establishment of it; and

(c) the reasons for delaying it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**रेलाड़ियों में अपराध**

2399. **प्रो. विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) वर्ष 1996-97 के दौरान रेलगाड़ियों में डकैती तथा चोरी की कितनी घटनाएं हुई;

(ख) इनमें कितने व्यक्ति हताहत हुये और कितना माल लूटा गया अथवा चोरी किया गया;

(ग) कितने अपराधी पकड़े गये और कुल कितना माल बरामद किया गया; और

(घ)कितने व्यक्तियों के विरूद्व मुकदमा चलाया गया और कितने अपराधियों को सजा दी गई?

**गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद मकबूल डार)** : (क) से (घ) उपलब्ध सूचना विवरण में दी गई हैं (नीचे देखिए)। चोरी की अलग-अलग घटनाओं, घायल व्यक्तियों, लूटी गई या चुराई गई वस्तुओं के मूल्य व ऐसे व्यक्तियों की संख्या जिनके खिलाफ ट्रेनों में घटनाओं के संबंध में मामले दर्ज किए गए हैं से संबंधित विशिष्ट सूचना केन्द्रीय स्तर पर नहीं रखी जाती हैं। रेलवे से संबंधित अपराध सहित अपराधों का पंजीकरण जांच पड़ताल करना, पता लगाना तथा रोकथाम करना मुख्यत: संबंधित राज्य सरकारों की जिम्मेदारी हैं। विशेषरूप से ट्रेनों तथा रेलवे स्टेशनों पर होने वाले अपराधों से निपटने के लिए राज्यों में "राजकीय रेलवे पुलिस" नामक संगठन हैं। तथापि, केन्द्र सरकार पुलिस संरचना को सुदृढ़ करने हेतु राज्य सरकारों को सलाह देती हैं व वित्तीय सहायता उपलब्ध कराती हैं।